

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please **REPLACE** the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 29, which starts with “[w]ith particular reference to Figs. 1B and 1C,” with the following amended paragraph:

With particular reference to Figs. 1B and 1C, the housing 22 is formed with an annular support neck portion 57 for slidingly supporting the stem member 44, allowing it to displace only in an axial direction without any tilt or rotation. Rather ~~then~~ than the annular portion 57, there may be formed several ribs or segments (not shown) supporting the stem member.